

# Branstad names Rod Roberts to head the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals

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On December 8, 2010, then Governor-Elect Terry Branstad selected State Representative Rod Roberts to serve as director of the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA).

“Representative Roberts will be a great asset to our administration as we work towards honest, open government,” said Branstad. “He has a unique ability to work with individuals of all backgrounds and political persuasion, and has a great reputation throughout the entire state. This ability will serve him well in this new role as he will deliver a strict, but fair, style in this department.”

The Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals was formed in 1986 to perform and manage audits, appeals and hearings on matters related to the operation of the executive branch of state government. The department is also tasked with inspecting, licensing and certifying various operations including, but not limited to restaurants, health care providers, hotels, grocery stores and gambling operations.



“I am honored to have been chosen by Governor-Elect Branstad to lead the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals,” said Roberts. “I will work hard to ensure that the health and safety of Iowans is a top priority and to make sure that the citizens have their voice heard through the appeals process.”

Rep. Roberts was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives in 2000, representing the people of Carroll County and portions of Crawford and Sac Counties. He did not seek re-election to the House this year. Roberts is a graduate of Iowa Christian College in Des Moines. He and his wife Trish reside in Carroll and have two children and four grandchildren.